Highly Restrictive Diets (AK 41-USDA 403)

Explain to Participant

You're enrolled in the WIC program today because you told us that you are on a very restricted diet. Very restrictive diets are very low in calories and/or nutrients that can lead to high-risk eating patterns.

Goal

The goal is to help you make the decision to eat enough calories and foods following the Food Guide Pyramid recommendations.

Suggestions for Reducing Risk

Follow the recommendations of your health care provider. Eat a variety of foods from all the food groups every day.

Choose fruits, vegetables, whole grains and low fat dairy foods.

Ask your health care provider about exercise.

Drink 8 glasses of water every day

Nutrition Education Material Suggested

Daily Food Guide

Explain Applicable WIC Foods

WIC Foods	Nutrients Provided	
Milk	Calcium, Vitamin A, Protein	
Cheese	Calcium, Vitamin A, Protein	
Eggs	Protein	
Beans or Peanut Butter	Protein, Iron	
WIC Juice	Vitamin C	
Cereal	Iron	
Carrots	Vitamin A	
Tuna Fish	Protein	
Salmon	Calcium, Vitamin A, Protein	

Explain What the WIC Nutrients Can Do for You!

Calcium Keeps bones healthy. Helps muscles work. Helps blood clot.

Helps control blood pressure.

Iron Carries oxygen in your blood to your muscles. Prevents

anemia. Prevents infection.

Vitamin C Helps your body heal. Helps fight infections. Helps your body

use the iron in the foods you eat.

Protein Makes up part of every cell in your body. Builds and maintains

muscles and other tissues.

Vitamin A Helps keep your skin healthy and smooth. Helps you see at

night.

Materials with More Information

Blue Ribbon Babies-Eating Well During Pregnancy